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LYNCH TERROR IN VACAVILLE

MARCHERS FIGHT CAPITAL POLICE
FOR RIGHT TO PETITION CONGRESS1,000 DELEGATES TO MARCH
ON SACRAMENTO JANUARY 10All Parts of California Hold Conferences for
Mass March on State Legislature

BULLETIN

WASHINGTON, D. C.,
Dec. 5.—Three thousand
Hunger and Bonus Marchers
are fighting hundreds of
police equipped with
machine guns, gas and armored
tanks, for the right to pre-
sent jobless' demands before
congress.Despite earlier promise for
a permit, police forced all
marchers into side street,
without sanitary arrangements
or shelter. Hunger
march committee is prepared
to pay usual rental for lodg-
ings. Auditorium manage-
ment refuses to rent hall for
conference unless police give
permits.Stool pigeons, including
one priest, sent in the midst
of marchers for provocation
purposes, driven out by
workers.Send protests to Wash-
ington. Demand workers get
right to petition congress.MASS RECEPTIONS
GROW AS MARCHERS
NEAR WASHINGTONPacific Coast Contingents
Grow to 125CINCINNATI, Ohio, Dec. 1.—
Their ranks grow to more than
125 delegates, the combined forces
of Hunger March Columns 2, 3 and
5 from the Pacific Coast and South-
west arrived here today from Bick-
nell, Ind., reporting they had re-
ceived wholehearted support from
the farmers and workers all along
the way.At St. Louis more than fifteen
thousand workers demonstrated
with the Unemployed Council and
Hunger March delegates before the
City Hall and County Building for
relief. As a result Mayor Miller
granted the local workers' demands
for coal, food and clothing.At Vincennes, Ind., police and
American Legion officials drew up
in an armed body at the Wabash
River bridge to terrorize and stop
the marchers, who of course were
unarmed. But they backed down in
the face of the determined de-
legates and sullenly stood aside as
the cheering columns drove through.At Bicknell, Ind., on November
29, the miners gave the delegation
a hearty reception and endorsed
the marchers' demands. A. F. of L.
local Union No. 1 gave a cash con-
tribution of \$25. More than 500
were at the endorsement mass
meeting.Further back, in Missouri, farm-
ers declared themselves ready to
fight. Prices are so low it doesn't
pay to harvest. In one instance,
farmers faced with the loss of their
stock gave some as food to the
Unemployed Council and the march-
ers. "Come and get it," they said,
"before the bankers do."No Pay for Nev.
School TeachersCARSON CITY, Nev., Nov. 25.—
Due to the smash up of the Nevada
"Wingfield banks," which is being
concealed under talk about "Mora-
tions," "Banking Holidays," "Re-
organizations," etc., 650 school
teachers have their choice of being
paid with warrants of highly ques-
tionable value, or taking nothing.Washington State
Hunger March On
Olympia January 9SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 27.—
There will be a Washington
State Hunger March to Olympia,
on January 9, when the state
legislature opens. Delegates
from all parts of the state will
present demands for relief.County hunger marches now
taking place are in preparation
for the state march.

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BATTLE POLICE AND FIREMEN
IN WATSONVILLE MOONEY MEET2000 Boo Firemen Turning Water on
"Mooney Olympic Runners" in
Speaking TourWATSONVILLE, Cal., Nov. 30.—
Belying Governor Rolph's latest an-
nouncement that "the Mooney case
is closed," 2,000 workers, defying
the fury of tear gas, fire hose and
police clubs, battled with police
and firemen in the plaza here to-
day for the right of free speech.
The meeting, called to hear the Tom
Mooney-Olympic Runners' tell of
the fight to free Mooney, was fin-
ally broken up after more than 45
minutes of fighting.A policeman and a fireman, knocked
down as the workers sought
militantly to defend their meeting,
were taken to a hospital where sev-
eral stitches were required to fix
a gash over the fireman's eye. No
workers were arrested.Elaborate preparations had been
made by police and fire depart-
ments to break up the meeting fol-
lowing the refusal by the city coun-
cil to grant a permit. A network of
fire hose was drawn throughout the
park and extra police were on hand.As the meeting was opened, the
speaker was drenched with a stream
of water amid loud cries of "let
them speak." Speakers throughout
the crowd mounted park benches

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and continued to hold the meeting
while the workers battled police
and firemen for possession of the
hose. The police were loudly booted
and enthusiastic cheers were heard
for the release of Tom Mooney and
at one time the attackers were given
a dose of their own medicine when
workers gained possession of one
of the nozzles.As quickly as a gathering was
broken up the workers would rally
and reform in another section of
the park and continue. A resolution
demanding free speech for
Watsonville workers and release of
Mooney was adopted.The workers faced the vicious
onslaught of police and firemen en-
tirely unarmed despite reports in
the capitalist press that police were
"seeking one of the demonstrators
believed to have been armed with
brass knuckles."Sentiment for the release of Tom
Mooney reached a high peak in the
meeting here, which was one of 12
well attended meetings under the
auspices of the Young Communist
League throughout northern Califor-
nia by young workers who took

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On To Sacramento
January 10The line of march for the
thousand Hunger Marchers
who will present demands at
Sacramento when the State
Legislature opens, January
10.For all details in connection
with the organization of the
march communicate with the
State Hunger March Committee,
1223 Fillmore Street, San Francisco.Mass Attendance
at Court Forces
Case DismissalLOS ANGELES, Calif., Nov. 30.—
Lillian Worthington, arrested at
Pershing Square because she re-
fused to "shut up and sit down"
at the order of a policeman, was
released today when 300 workers
packed the court room to hear the
case tried.The court room was jammed with
workers despite numerous shifts of
the case from one court to another in
an effort to evade the crowd of
workers anxious to see that the
young worker was not "railroaded."Upon hearing the "evidence" of
the policeman and with a weary
eye toward the assemblage of workers
the prosecutor moved the case
be dismissed.TACOMA BOSSSES
OPEN ATTACK TO
CUT RELIEF LISTArrest Several Part-Time
Workers Getting Relief;
Set \$2,000 BailTACOMA, Wash., Dec. 5.—Several
arrests of jobless receiving relief
on charges of grand larceny are
considered here to be a new cam-
paign to intimidate and starve the
unemployed.Part-time workers in mills, forced
to ask for County Relief as they
earn only a few dollars a month,
have been arrested and held on \$2-
000 bail. All money earned must
be turned over to the County if
workers are to get any relief.This brazen attack of the bosses
on our living standards comes at
a time that great numbers are be-
ing put to work at forced labor and
others have suddenly had their war-
rants reduced sharply.The arrests will be used to take
many off relief lists permanently.TERROR CONTINUES
IN LONG BEACH AS
I.L.D. PUSHES FIGHTChief of Police Orders
Committee Out of
His Office

Plan Whitewash

Try to Prevent Facts of
Collusion with Klan
Becoming PublicLONG BEACH, Calif., Nov. 29.—
The trial of the four arrested Klan
raiders in the municipal court was
continued for next Monday, Decem-
ber 5th 1932, pending the in-
vestigation and action of the Los
Angeles County Grand Jury.Chief of Police Alley, who is said to have assisted the thugs in their
kidnapping of the six arrested leaders, says he "does not know where the
leaders obtained the key." He was conveniently absent at the time.No trace has been found of those kidnapped. There were 15 arrested
and placed on from \$200 to \$500 bail each.A mass meeting will take place on Friday, December 9, 8 P. M.,
1223 Fillmore St., where one of the strikers will tell the story. There
will also be the latest report from the Hunger March to Washington.ARMED THUGS AND SCABS
ATTACK STRIKERS; OPEN JAIL,
KIDNAP 6; OBTAINED KEYSBosses Started Lynch Spirit At Anti-Com-
munist Mass Meeting Last Thursday;
Not Able to Break Workers Ranks

BULLETIN

VACAVILLE, Cal., Dec. 5.—Kidnapped from jail by a band of un-
identified thugs, six arrested agricultural strikers were today taken for
a ride. They were beaten badly, painted red and warned to not return
or they would be given a worse taste of the lynch terror program.The six were among fifteen arrested yesterday when police, aided
by armed thugs and legionnaires, broke up a parade of strikers in front
of the public library. Nora Conklin, I. L. D. organizer of Sacramento,
was addressing a crowd of more than a thousand workers when the
police interfered.Chief of Police Alley, who is said to have assisted the thugs in their
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TRIAL IN EVICTION
CASE, FOUND GUILTYLeader of T. U. U. L. Rail-
roaded by Handpicked
JuryVACAVILLE, Cal., Dec. 2.—Un-
able to break the ranks of the
strikers, the big ranchers and busi-
ness people of Vacaville staged a
mass meeting here on Thursday
afternoon to "protest against Com-
munist." Altho a great alarm was
sounded throughout the Valley,
there were only a few hundred
present.It was obvious that the purpose
was to open up a campaign for a
lynch spirit. The town minister,
Rev. A. F. Fruhling, chairman, de-
clared that "A real menace con-
fronts this community which must
be met in the good old American
way."The next speaker was Judge Ball
of Winters, who railroaded three
workers to prison last summer for
leading hungry families for relief.
He explained what is meant by
"the good old American way" by
stating that it means adopting the
"system that is used south of the
Mason and Dixon Line."That same evening the strikers
held a large enthusiastic demon-
stration in answer to the lynch
threats, at which determination
was expressed to continue the
struggle and intensify the picket
patrols as the only way of com-
bating the lynch and terror threats.MORE THAN 700
VOTE COMMUNIST
IN OREG. COUNTYBig Red Vote in Skagit
County, WashingtonASTORIA, Ore., Dec. 27.—The
results in Clatsop county (Astoria)
are for Foster and Ford 168. Other
Communist candidates: Kruger, U.
S. Senate 150; Kantola for State
Representative 295; Piemosa County
Commissioner 707.

SKAGIT COUNTY

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 27.—The
first complete election result avail-
able is that of Skagit county. There
were 413 votes cast for Foster,
Hoover 4175, Roosevelt 8316, Thom-
as 162 and Harvey 589.Anacortes, where the Communists
led a food raid on one of the chain
stores and out of which a great
struggle of the Unemployed de-
veloped in this county.Other results are: Walker 494,
Nor for Senator 375, Anderson,
Green and Young for State Repre-
sentatives 452, 437 and 435 respec-
tively; Elbe for Congress 402. For
county commissioner, Trafton and
Nelson, 411 and 409 respectively.

CITY ELECTIONS COMING

There will be an election of four
city councilmen on March 14, 1933.
The Communist Party is preparing
for an intense campaign and will
put forth a full ticket.PORTLAND JOBLESS FACE TRIAL
FOR FIGHTING WATER SHUT-OFFReject Suspended Sentence Resulting
From First TrialPORTLAND, Oregon, Nov. 30.—
Three workers were convicted by
the bosses jury for turning on water
on. Two days later the dis-
trict attorney served warrants of
arrest on Comrades Keller, Bene-
dict and Hansen for larceny, charg-
ing them with stealing water to the
amount of one dollar. Several John
Doe warrants were also issued.The district attorney tried to
railroad the workers to trial before
they had arranged for legal defense.
The workers demanded a jury trial.
The trial was set for November 22
and continued for three days. Irvin
Goodman, I. L. D. Attorney de-
fended the workers and exposed
the robbery of the Darlington Wat-
er Company. The jury which con-
sisted of business men and corpo-
ration managers returned the ver-
dict of guilty, after two hours and
sixteen minutes session.Benedict, seventy-one years old,
and his wife live in a small shack
just outside the city limits; where
the water is obtained from the city.
The workers are to get any relief.
Councilman Steel replied that all
available money had been spent
for relief and the council could do
nothing about evictions and putting
the water on. The workers are to get
any relief.Demanding that additional funds
be appropriated for relief, Dietrich
promised that the council would
hear further from the United Front
Committee.During the entire proceedings of
the trial the courtroom was packed
with workers. On Monday, Nov.
28, Judge Hendrickson passed the
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Berkeley Jobless Force Relief for Negro Blinded in War

Compensation Was Stopped. "200 Too Much for Nigger," Says Jury Foreman

BERKELEY, Cal., Dec. 5.—The off. He is not allowed Bill Dur- unemployed Council of Berkeley has opened a fight for relief for Harvey Green, Negro war veteran who was blinded in France while helping "make the world safe, etc."

Green's papers from the government show that he is "totally and permanently incapacitated through blindness."

For seven years he received \$200 a month compensation. This was suddenly cut off though he is obviously blind. He feels his way with a cane, and cannot light a smoke without feeling to see where he should scratch the match.

Twice his case has been contested before a jury in action to force the government to pay his compensation. On each occasion the foreman of the jury voted against Green, while the other eleven jurors voted for him.

One of these foremen, when pressed for his reason replied that he thought, "Two hundred dollars a month was too damn much money for a nigger."

Green has been existing on a grocery order of \$1.65 a week. At first the charities allowed him to spend 65¢ each month for meat. But now this luxury has been cut

Dorney Jokes Over Starving Woman

MONTEREY, Cal., Dec. 5.—Dorney, local undertaker and head of the San Carlos Welfare, as much as asked a starving woman to go home and laugh it off. This woman who had three dependents was forced to ask for help for the first time. Dorney stalled her off. When she asked for something to eat immediately, he told her the best thing to do was to write to President Hoover.

Salvation Tzar Worries About W. W. Exposure

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 5.—Isaacs, lord of the Salvation Army Industrial "Home," whose high powered graft was exposed in the November 14th issue of the Western Worker, is so worried over who wrote the story he looks bad.

He has in his nit-wit way, even gone to the S. F. headquarters at 115 Valencia street, in hopes he might discover something. At meal time he has repeatedly remarked about the "good" food he was able to furnish the men through the "very small profits of the home." He also refers to the "comfortable beds" he has been able to provide. He proudly compares his racket with the barren cots furnished by his competing racketeers where the men must turn in at sun-down, etc.

Throughout the day he questions all of us in an effort to delve into the matter. About all he really knows is that he is no longer sure of his best "friends!" Poor fellow!

I suggest he hire a Plunkerton spy with some of the profits he gets away with. Otherwise, he may be bounced any day. This profit-sharing will hurt poor S. Chas Isaacs (S. is for Sam, the name he gave up when he ceased being an honest rag-picker back East), but he will do it yet.

The delegates will pick up other farmers on the way.

A big meeting is to be held Nov. 19 in Pocatello. The League is growing like a whirlwind. On to Washington! To hell with the money changers. Give us life, liberty and bread.

—J. W. E.

\$1.50 WEEKLY IN SCRIPT IS ALL POCATELLO GIVES

Jobless Organizing: Rent Columbus Hall

POCATELLO, Idaho, Nov. 29.—The 475 workers employed on the City dump work five days a week, and six hours a day. They receive not over \$1.50 per week in script. This is only good as exchange in the commissary set up by the capitalist politicians. The money comes from the R. F. C. which provided the State of Idaho with \$300,000, "to provide for the poor."

Those who are in charge of the commissary, deal out the relief just as they see fit. Some receive so little for their work, that they are not able to feed one person on the amount. None of them receive what any family should have to sustain them. The marks of hunger can be seen on every face of those who are being subjected to this forced labor program.

This money is not given to the workers in cash. As the exploiters want them to understand that if they want to eat, they must work, and that they must not expect to enter the parasite class.

The workers have rented the Columbus Hall as an Unemployed Headquarters, and are holding meetings every night. We have on several entertainments with very good results. We are starting block committees.

Nevada Prison Labor

RENO, Nev., Dec. 2.—Due to the depression and the bank "holiday" industry in the state has come to a dead standstill with the exception of the state prison. According to Warden Penrose, the prison factory is operating full blast, turning out 1933 license plates. Though the colors will be white on a green background, at least 90% of the farmers and jobless workers will "see red" when the plates come out.

—The Same One.

High Prices at County Stores Reduce Relief

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Nov. 28.—The prices of groceries in the County Relief Commissary are skyrocketing now, thereby causing the purchasing power of the workers who have to buy from the County to go down still lower to starvation levels.

Some of the comparative prices of the Commissary to the others is as follows:

Lard 7½ per lb. against 5¢ in other stores; butter 33¢ against 28¢; bacon 14¢ against 10¢; eggs the same 28¢; milk 4½¢ against 3¢; peanut butter 20¢ against 19¢; other prices compare in the same way.

The workers are complaining about these prices of goods and when they ask for a complete list of the commodities in the commissary, they are met with a flat refusal. Most of the time one does not know what the price of the goods are when purchasing them.

The workers are forced to purchase their groceries here in the commissary because it is the only place where the script which they are paid for County "Relief" work is acceptable. The County does not permit town merchants to accept script for groceries.

—V. Haines.

New C. P. Unit in Santa Clara

SANTA CLARA, Cal., Nov. 17.—tonight the Cannery and Agricultural Workers of this city met and organized themselves into a Communist Party Unit.

These workers have been active in Unemployed struggles, and have organized six block committees already. A campaign is now being started to demand the removal of Mrs. Drew who has been insulting and refusing relief to the unemployed.

One of the first things the unit did is to elect a Western Worker agent and order a regular bundle of Western Workers.

Learn to Sing

COMRADES! Learn a new Workers' Song each week—come to 1164 Market Street—every Friday Evening, 8 o'clock. Help the Communist Party build a powerful Workers' Singing Organization! Admission Free—ALL WELCOME.

More on Laguna Honda Poisoning of 130 Inmates

Charity Graft Established As Basis Cause for Mass Sickness

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 2.—Despite the rigid censorship maintained by Wollenberg's charity apparatus, the fact has now been established through workers at the Laguna Honda Home, that 130 of the inmates have been poisoned, of whom 80 were seriously sick.

The capitalist press hushed up the matter, giving only 2 inches of space in an inside page.

It is now learned on reliable authority the poisoning was caused by an infection from the pickled pigs' head and feet which were served for an evening meal.

Such an infection is caused by the Paratyphus germ found in meat prepared under unsanitary conditions. It is said the pork came from pigs raised and pickled at the "Home."

Charity officials at the place and doctors are exerting every effort to cover up the facts. It is understood doctors try to explain matters away by saying the patients "ate too much, as they get pork only very seldom."

Thousands of workers depending on relief are in a rage upon hearing of these facts, which reveal the true nature of the charities, and stop served. The Unemployed Councils are exposing them to all the workers on charity jobs.

FOREIGN NEWS BRIEFS

French-Soviet Pact Signed

PARIS, France, November 29.—A non-aggression pact between the Soviet Union and France was signed here today. This is the first of such pacts with any of the great imperialist powers.

Poland Signs Non-Aggression Pact

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., November 26.—Poland's signature of a non-aggression treaty with the Soviet Union is regarded here as a great victory for peace as Poland was the main outpost of imperialism against the Soviet Union.

This leaves only Roumania which has thus far failed to sign a similar treaty.

Japanese Shops Bombed

SHANGHAI, China, November 26.—Japanese shops were bombed and many were wounded in an anti-Japanese demonstration here when news of the massacre of 2,700 Chinese near Fushun, Manchuria, was spread.

Jobless Increase in Germany

BERLIN, Germany, November 25.—Germany is again experiencing a great increase in unemployment. During the first two weeks of November it increased by 156,000, bringing the official count to 5,265,000.

Anti-Semitic Violence in Poland

LVOW, Poland, November 30.—Tanks and armored cars had to be brought into action during a clash that occurred here as a result of a large anti-Semitic demonstration, on the occasion of the funeral of a student that was killed during a similar clash yesterday. 300 are reported hurt.

The anti-Semitic demonstrations spread to other cities. At Vilno several students were injured. At Czestochowa several Jews were beaten seriously.

Columbia-Peru War Starts

BELEM, Brazil, December 2.—Peru is sending 3,000 troops against Columbia to the disputed Leticia area. There are already three gunboats in the vicinity. Columbia has a like number of gunboats.

Trotsky Hides—Workers Demonstrate

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, November 25.—Trotsky had to keep in hiding while a demonstration of thousands of workers was taking place here. Throughout the city signs were painted in large red letters saying "Long Live the Soviet Union, Down With Premier Stauning and Trotsky."

Trotsky was given in International Radio hook-up for his slanders against the Soviet Union.

Military Dictator for Germany

BERLIN, Germany, December 2.—Von Schleicher was named chancellor of Germany, minister of defense and Reich's Commissioner in Prussia, which gives him the most powerful position ever held by any government head before, virtually making him military dictator.

All efforts to unite with Fascists to give a broader base to the dictatorship have so far failed, Hitler insisting on being in full control.

Bolivia Prepares Fresh Army

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina, Nov. 24.—Bolivia has now called ten classes to arms and is preparing a fresh army of 30,000. Paraguay is already sending in troops to meet these forces.

This will give a new impetus to the Gran Chaco war.

Red Election Gains in Belgium

BRUSSELS, Belgium, November 29.—With complete returns not yet in, it is already indicated that the Belgian Communists gained 2 seats in the elections to the national Parliament.

The main increase came from the industrial districts of Charleroi and Liege. Many clashes occurred between the workers and the police and Social Fascists.

Chiang Orders General Shot

SHANGHAI, China, November 26.—Chiang Kai Shek has ordered the execution of General Fan Shin Shen for neglect of duty resulting in the sensational defeat of the government 51st division by the Red Army, in the Sianyang district in the Hupeh province.

This is the first time that Chiang ordered the execution of a general altho previously minor military officers have been ordered shot after defeat by the Red Army. Quite recent reports were circulated here that the Red troops were driven into the mountains are obviously now exploded.

tered his office, "I hate to do this, but I have no alternative. We will not need you after next week."

Poor old Bill was through. At an age when it would be impossible for him to ever go back to industry regardless of the resumption of business, he was cold-bloodedly kicked into the streets by Mr. Gerhard Swope.

In the period 1929-1932, General Electric workers decreased from seventy thousand to approximately fifteen thousand full time employees.

I don't know what became of Bill. He was a man of strong loyalties and when General Electric failed him, the shock and the subsequent brooding was almost too much. He went crazy or something. I saw him once after General Electric dispensed with his services and that was a week before the general elections.

Bill was from one of the New England States; he had a peculiar way of speaking—a sort of a nasal down east twang. I loved to hear Bill argue in the old days. He pronounced constitution in a manner impossible to describe—you'd have to hear it to know what I mean.

Well, anyway, I was window shopping and my feet happened to take me toward Tenth and Broadway, in the Village of Oakland, and smack bang into a crowd of unemployed. I heard the word constitution pronounced as one in the world but Bill could pronounce it. I wormed my way through the crowd and there was Bill, big as life on a soap box. Bill was not quoting the constitution, he was damning it. Behind him was a large banner which read: "Vote Communist for Unemployment Insurance!"

I could hardly believe my eyes! Bill going Red!

"POOR OLD BILL"—By R. E. EMBERG

For twenty-five years Bill Allbright had been an employee of General Electric. Bill had not saved very much during those years for a number of reasons. One was, Bill was raising a family; and to raise a family, even a small one as with Bill's, a son and daughter, was no small matter. There were always bills—doctors, dentists and what not, for Bill wished to bring up his family according to decent American standards. The other reason was Bill's salary, it was not very large. The General Electric Company in lieu of fair salaries, wages, etc., had many welfare plans, unemployment—pensions, insurance, etc., for their workers. Of course there was the prestige of being even a small cog in the great wheel of General Electric whose name was synonymous with electricity throughout the world. Bill and his fellow workers had been taught that General Electric was their company, that they had made it, that it was to their benefit to advance the interests of the company at every opportunity.

Should a neighbor be in the market for washing-machine, an ironer, a refrigerator or any electrical household article, Bill always took it upon himself to talk the superiority of General Electric goods to that particular person.

FELT SECURE

Bill did not worry and as his years of service increased he felt more and more secure in his job. Bill was an expert worker and the company recognized it in many ways. When Bill suggested a change in a certain process in the manufacture of distribution transformers the Company by adopting Bill's suggestion was able to save twenty thousand dollars per year.

The company rewarded Bill's alacrity with a five dollar award and put his name in the Monogram, the Company publication. Gosh, how Bill strutted. He cut out the magazine page—had it framed and hung in the living room, just above the radio where no one could miss seeing it. He just became all over a visitor mentioned it.

No, Bill did not worry even if he could not save anything. The General Electric was a growing concern and the country was prosperous. The great leaders of finance and industry had solved all the economic ills. The Republican Party under the leadership of a great engineer was at the helm of the ship of state and the sailing was on smooth waters. Bill looked tranquilly forward to the day when

he would retire on a pension. Of course the pension would not be very much but after the kids got through high school, Bill was going to save a little more, and then—some day, he would buy that little place at Santa Cruz and spend the remainder of his life in the sun and on the wharf. Bill loved to fish, especially from the wharf at Santa Cruz.

FINE FUTURE

There was no doubt in Bill's mind as to his future. The President of General Electric and the Chairman of the Board of Directors were both good spirited men and knew their duty to their employees who had, in their own words, made the General Electric Company what it was. The many philanthropies of these gentlemen were common knowledge so were their many welfare plans inaugurated for the benefit of their employees. So successful was Mr. Owen D. Young, Chairman of the Board in solving American problems that Germany requested him to lay out a budget for her on the General Electric plan. This plan to be known as the Young Plan was a great success, and Bill and his fellow workers basked in the reflected glory of their great leader.

And Mr. Gerard Swope—there was a man—a man's man. He was president of General Electric. For his contribution to social advancement, the National Academy of social sciences had presented him with a gold medal.

Bill and the other employees of General Electric were notified of the award in a special de-lux edition of the Monogram and now their pride knew no bounds. They high-hatted those poor dumb bums who worked for ordinary companies at much higher wages—huh, those guys had no welfare plans, unemployment plans or pension systems—no one ever gave them their gold medal for exceptional social services.

100 PER CENTER

Bill was one hundred percent American. He prided himself on the fact that he was neither republican or democrat. No Sir, Bill did not vote for any party. He voted for the man. Now some fellows were democrats because their fathers were democrats and some were republicans for the same reason, but not Bill. Always before election day the Scotch manager of Bill's factory sent around a little dodger giving his choice of candidates and the reason for the choice.

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him—and there was that contemplated plan of unemployment insurance all thought out by Mr. Swope and ready to go.

EFFICIENCY EXPERTS

In 1930, Mr. Harry Whitestone, Comptroller of General Electric, made a swing around the country, visiting the different works and offices of General Electric. After his departure from these places many General Electric workers lost their jobs. The highly significant thing in these mass dismissals was this: It was not the younger employees that lost their jobs—but the older ones—many of whom were nearing the age when they would retire on pensions.

At that time General Electric had not cut wages, so it announced. The formal reduction was to come later, but the rate setters were at work retiming operations and making other adjustments so that Bill's pay was about one dollar per day less although his output was the same. If he speeded up to the point of exhaustion—he could sometimes make up the lost dollar, but not as a rule.

DARK CLOUDS—19



Something Rotten in Denmark

Trotsky spoke from Copenhagen, November 27, the speech being re-broadcast over the United States. That night in New York two men sat in a high-ceilinged room, while behind them a janitress was scrubbing the floor.

"Why have we had no letters from the public?" demanded the capitalist, pounding the table. "Trotsky slanders the Soviet Union like nobody's business. He was once a big shot and he's a regular fire-eater. Was the hook-up bad?"

"Oh, no sir," said the hook-up manager, "Ramsey McDonald assures us it came through to London fine. He did complain a little, but you know these fakers... professional jealousy."

"Static, perhaps?"

"That wasn't static. Trotsky's whisks got caught in the mike at first..."

"But that was the part Mc Donald thought was clearest. He was sore about the end; he swears he heard a bleeding...like Gandhi's goat."

"Nonsense! It was Hitler practicing for tomorrow's broadcast."

"But we won't let Hitler speak...he'd only steal Trotsky's stuff. We'll use a double on phonograph record that makes him more masculine. But why was Trotsky a flop? Not a workingman has written or phoned in. And he used to be big stuff with them, a regular fire-eater."

"Maybe all the workers have pawned their radios."

"There is still a few left," said the capitalist.

The janitress dropped her work and came over wiping her hands. "I got a radio," she said. "Maybe I can help you."

The capitalist frowned. "Well, did you listen in yesterday?"

"Oh, yes. No workers would listen to Trotsky, anyway; we got more sense than to believe that renegade traitor says. But they had the swellest new crooner on. You couldn't understand a word but he had such a soft, tender pleasing voice, better than Rudy Valle. He...."

"What time was this?" asked the hook-up manager wearily.

"At 12:30, over Station WIND." "My God!" said the capitalist. "What was him!"

TODAY'S DEFINITION

A liberal is an intellectual with good intentions and no road to pave with them.

S "The other got all the votes," says Norman Thomas, reviewing the election. "But never mind. More people heard me than ever before—and they paid admission." Nothing like defining one's position, is there?

McAdoo Urges Garner To Put Wine In Bill," says a Hearst headline. If he means Bill Green, we can tell him that A. F. of L. heel prefers beer—and boozey.

The Y. C. L. gave a new working-class version to the old newspaper axiom that "When a dog bites a man, forget it, but when a man bites a dog, it's news." When bulls break up a demonstration it's not news. But when the S. F. Chronicle got last week's Watsonville story they had to skyline it "Police Clubbed by Mooney Paraders" on the front page! The Y. C. L. Mooney Runners ran in the right direction again and when time out was called six "dogs" had been so well bitten they needed treatment.

COMMUNIST VOTES STOLEN IN IDAHO RESULTS REVEAL

POCATELLO, Idaho, Nov. 29.—The capitalist press this morning gives out the information on the election results as follows: Roosevelt, 109,254; Hoover, 71,219; W. C. Coin Harvey, 4,688; Norman Thomas, 523; William Foster, 488. The local Communist Party states:

"If the capitalist politicians throughout the state, stole as many votes in proportion to what they stole in Bannock County, in which Pocatello is located, then the Communist Party which was legally on the ballot, must have cast several thousand votes. The local press gave out that we polled twenty votes in this county. We have over a hundred votes which we can count among our immediate acquaintances, and the 'steal' is looked upon here, as a practical joke."

Mooney Tour Extends to 23 Calif. Towns

Irvin Goodman, and Sam Goodwin to Speak; Tour Begins in Los Angeles Dec. 18

"SOCIALISTS" QUIT L.A. MOONEY UNITED FRONT COMMITTEE

Rank and File Members Will Join Despite Leaders

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Nov. 28.—The Provisional Free Tom Mooney Committee met this afternoon for further arrangements for the Free Tom Mooney Mass Meeting in Los Angeles December 17th or 18th, 1932. A Preliminary Conference has been called for December 10 at 2:00 P. M. Room 432 Music Arts Building, 233 South Broadway, Los Angeles. Invitations to this united front conference on behalf of the Mooney Mass Meeting here are being sent to all working-class radical, liberal, sympathetic and revolutionary groups.

S. P. QUIT

The Socialist Party was not represented at the Provisional Committee meeting this afternoon due to the withdrawal of its representative Shapiro who walked out of the first meeting recently. Shapiro was nominated for the Executive Committee at the first preliminary conference. He accepted only on condition that a motion be adopted guaranteeing that the speakers at the Mass Meeting will not insult or slander the Socialist Party. Shapiro, in connection with this motion, mentioned the Mooney Mass Meeting in San Francisco and the references made there to the Socialist Party.

A substitute motion was then passed that the speakers at the Los Angeles Mass Meeting be instructed to speak on the issue of freeing Tom Mooney in accordance with the Tom Mooney Molders Defense Committee program. Upon this basis, Shapiro withdrew from the Provisional Committee and has failed to participate since, along with Ben Whithling of the L. A. Milkers Association.

It was stated by a member of the committee that the rank and file socialists of Los Angeles did not support Shapiro's stand and would when properly notified, attend the United Front Conference on December 10th, 1932.

The following day, November 16, the committee presented its demands to Mr. Hanson, head of the commissioners at West Holy Street. At that time Hanson stated that he would take it up with the higher officials, and advised the committee to report back on Friday.

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JOBLESS WIN FREE GROCERY DELIVERY AFTER LONG FIGHT

Bellingham Communist Candidate Leads in Fight

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Nov. 24.—All workers in South Bellingham can now have their groceries delivered to three central points once a week as a result of the struggles of a militant committee of action composed of 15 workers. Workers for a long time carried their miserable charity on their backs, only to see it spoiled when they arrived home.

On November 7th, Kenneth McLeod raised the question of transportation of groceries from the commissary to the neighborhoods, in Local No 7 of the People's Councils. On November 15 some of the workers on the South Side organized a committee of action of fifteen members, elected as spokesman, John Cairns, Communist Candidate for Councilman for the 6th Ward.

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Spokane Jobless Refuse Scraps, Ask Fresh Meat

SPOKANE, Wash., Nov. 28.—Last week a committee from the Unemployed Council speaking for the workers forced to go to the county relief commissary for food demanded fresh meat instead of salt pork, matches, brooms, etc. from the County Commissioners.

These workers are doing county work which consists of slave labor in the wood yard and care of the Indian Canyon golf course, a playground for fat parasites.

M. C. Monroe was spokesman. He demanded that more leeway be given in the workers in selection of articles at the commissary, and that his name be taken off the "blacklist" of Dan Morgan, foreman on the golf course.

The Unemployed Council has announced it will fight for these demands.

MOTHER MOONEY IS REFUSED VISA FOR ENTRY TO ENGLAND

Tom Mooney Sends Protest Wire to McDonald

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 1.—The British consulate in Berlin refused a visa to Mary Mooney, Tom Mooney's mother, according to a cablegram received yesterday from Germany.

Tom Mooney today cabled the following protest to Ramsey McDonald, British Prime Minister.

"Berlin British Consulate refuses visa my eighty-four years old mother. Vigorously protest this outrageous attempt to interfere with effort to secure my freedom. Request orders countering deliberate frustration of my mother's plan to inform British people about facts in my case."

Mother Mooney, after attending the recent World Congress of the International Red Aid as a delegate from the International Labor Defense, will speak in the capitals of England, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany on behalf of her son.

Travelling with Mother Mooney is Ada Wright, mother of two of the Scottsboro boys.

Mother Mooney and Ada Wright are bringing back with them the ashes of J. Louis Engdahl, the late National Secretary of the International Labor Defense, who last week died of pneumonia in Moscow after touring Europe on behalf of Tom Mooney and the Scottsboro boys.

Portland Jobless Face Trial For Fighting Shut-off

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sentence. At that time a huge demonstration was held in front of the courthouse, and a committee was elected to present a resolution demanding the release of these workers. The Judge passed a thirty-day suspended sentence, providing the workers promised not to participate in turning on water again.

Irwin Goodman expressed the policy of the I. L. D. in regards to compromising with Capitalist Courts and filed a notice of appeal to the Circuit Court.

The date of the new trial will be announced later. —Violet Olson.

Feingold, First On Trial in Eviction Case, Found Guilty

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the rottenness of San Francisco's charity system. This caused the judge to order the packed courtroom cleared, and bullying police drove everyone out. Witnesses for Feingold were actually terrorized and driven from the building.

One witness who refused to leave took the stand and when he began

a line of testimony, justifying the presence of workers at the eviction the judge went into a rage. Screaming "shut-up" this judge refused to let the witness testify, and balked other witnesses and Feingold himself, in the efforts they made to tell the truth.

Altho there was not a worker on

the jury, it took nearly 24 hours

to agree on a verdict of guilty.

Workers driven from the court

room and hundreds of others have

pledged themselves to be present in

the court-room as the remaining of

the 12 come up and carry the fight

for the release of these workers.

S. F. Conference to Discuss Steps Dec. 10, Oakland Dec. 9

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The Sacramento Section Conference will be at the Labor Temple, on December 14, 8:00 P. M. Delegates will come from all surrounding towns.

East Bay will hold its conference on December 9th at 727 Washington Street, Oakland.

The Stockton Section Conference will be at the Workers Center on December 17th.

The Santa Clara Section Conference will be on December 18th, at the Workers Center, 81 Post Street, San Jose.

The dates for the other conferences will be published as the reports come in.

All the conferences will be over by December 18th. The demands proposed by the State Committee are only provisional and will be

discussed and amended at the conferences. All proposals should be sent to the State Hunger March Committee at 1223 Fillmore Street, San Francisco.

The date of the new trial will be announced later. —Violet Olson.

SEATTLE JOBLESS IN COUNTY HUNGER MARCH ON DEC. 5TH

Socialist Party Sabotages United Front for Relief

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 3.—On December 5, the same day that the national hunger marchers will be laying their demands before Congress, the unemployed of King County, Washington, will march upon the county commissioners. The workers demand:

1. Every unemployed worker to receive the amount of relief specified in the county schedule for food distribution of October, 1932, without discrimination of any kind.

2. All labor to be paid for at union wages with a minimum of \$4.50 a day for common labor.

3. No evictions. No water or light shut-offs.

4. Free hot lunches, including milk, and free transportation for school children.

These demands were drawn up at a Unity Conference of delegates from the Unemployed Councils, various locals and the central federation of the Unemployed Citizens Leagues, locals of the United Producers of Washington, the Communist Party and several A. F. L. locals.

An unofficial delegate from the Socialist Party, when he saw the overwhelming sentiment of the workers at the conference for a county hunger march, appeared quite enthusiastic for a march with the usual Socialist tactics, cautioned the workers to leave political questions out of it. The delegates from Communist Party challenged him, saying that for every leaflet calling the workers to march, put out by the Socialist Party, the Communist Party would put out ten, for every speaker the Socialist Party would send out to speak for the march, the Communist Party would send out ten. The Socialist delegate made a great showing of approving the challenge and said he would take it back to his party. Not only has the Socialist Party failed to take any action since then on the hunger march, but even this particular member, when hunger march speakers appeared before the Unemployed Citizens League local, to which he belongs, didn't open his mouth in the discussion.

The committee wanted to see Sheriff Thornton, who was not to be found. They succeeded however in seeing the chief Deputy Sheriff and informed him that the people of California will hold the prison authorities responsible in case any lynching takes place.

They also visited W. N. Goodman, the old Democratic Boss of the district, who stated, "I am not in favor of lynching except in extreme necessity" and "Yes, it is necessary in Watsonville." Goodman particularly referred to the lynchings 12 years ago in Santa Rosa and stated, "It was a good thing there as there was no trouble ever since."

The most vicious of all that the committee visited was the Rev. Fruhling, who, frothing at the mouth, shouted in Anita Whitney's face that, "It would be a good thing if a half dozen of them were lynched."

It was impossible to get hold of Mayor Uhl, who altho seen by several people a few moments prior to the committee's arrival to the city hall, and his car was there, got away, not wishing to face the committee.

The committee, altho only a few hours in town, created quite a stir. The strikers gave it an enthusiastic welcome when they came to the strike headquarters. The fact that such solidarity is displayed from the workers of other parts of the state, and that a number of truck loads of relief have arrived here has served to encourage the strikers very much in their determination to fight to the end.

Following the Ralph interview December 3, the Mooney-Olympic Runners have addressed hundreds of workers throughout the town and shown the film of the run, "Olympics, Cops and Terror."

Delegates have been elected from seven of the towns to compose a committee of youth from northern California which will visit Governor Ralph on December 3 and present demands that Mooney be granted a new hearing in view of the Callcott evidence. The committee will also demand a reversal of the decision convicting the six Mooney-Olympic Runners who face nine months jail sentences.

Following the Ralph interview December 3, the Mooney-Olympic Runners will extend to southern California, where meetings are being arranged for the showing of the film.

INTERNATIONAL LABOR DEFENSE, PORTLAND, OREGON

THIRD ANNUAL DEFENSE BAZAAR

Workers Center, 245½ Alder Street, Portland, Ore.

TWO DAYS:

Saturday Eve., December 17, 8:00 P. M.

Editorial Column

THE BOSSSES FEAR MASS ACTION

Close on the heels of the tremendous Civic Auditorium mass meeting for the freedom of Tom Mooney, a delegation of 15 organized by the Civil Liberties Union, presented a new appeal to Governor Ralph for a Mooney hearing.

The delegation was composed of what the newspapers characterize as "famous Americans" and headed by the liberal lawyer Aaron Sapiro. The 15 preachers, journalists, and writers personify most ably the policy of resorting to appeals in the name of "justice," to legal loopholes, and other pacifist methods which characterized the Mooney defense until about a year ago.

It is very significant that this group hastens into the limelight precisely at the moment when there is such a great increase in activity for a mass movement behind the Mooney case, in which the Communist Party plays a leading role, and immediately after the granting of a new trial for the Scottsboro boys. They feel that a staggering blow was dealt to liberalism. They feel that the increasing mass force developed by the movement is actually bringing success and therefore want to again divert the movement behind their liberal policy.

SAPIRO AGAINST DEMONSTRATIONS

That this is the purpose is clearly revealed in Sapiro's actions. A year ago, when the Mooney hearing was taking place, and thousands of workers were outside demonstrating, Sapiro strongly condemned the demonstration, thereby placing himself in league with the police department of San Francisco who clubbed and arrested many.

At a mass meeting for Tom Mooney in San Francisco Sapiro who was in the audience, walked out when Ralph was being attacked. This was publicized by the San Francisco Chronicle.

At a time when serious steps were being made to force another trial for Mooney, Sapiro proposes to Mooney that he virtually admit having been a dynamiter. This was the cause of the recent split between him and Mooney.

FIGHT BEING RENEWED

The answer the delegation received from Ralph and Sullivan is another example to show that the bosses are not afraid of "famous Americans." The language the bosses and their political servants understand best is that spoken by the 18,000 workers on November 6th at the great Auditorium Meeting. Or as given in Watsonville last week, when 2000 battled police and fire hose for the right to hold a Mooney Meeting.

That meeting was only a beginning. At present a tour to be addressed by Irvin Goodman, attorney for Paul Callicott, and Sam Goodwin of the Mooney Molders Defense will cover 23 cities, beginning with the Los Angeles Meeting, December 18. The San Francisco Meeting must be a keynote to all the rest—mass attendance, and a militant spirit.

The answer to Ralph's declaration that "the Mooney case is closed" must be given at these meetings.

It is not closed by any means as far as hundreds of thousands who are behind the renewed campaign are concerned.

Mooney will be freed by the struggle of the Masses! On with the Fight!

LYNCH THREATS WON'T BREAK THE RANKS

The Vacaville bosses are now planning to resort to what they hope will turn out a trump card in the strike situation. Lynching!

The lynch spirit is already being prepared. Last Thursday's mass meeting of the big ranchers and business men in town, together with all armed thugs and scabs that could be gotten at their service, was the opening gun. The speakers who were a Judge and a Preacher openly advocated lynching.

A delegation from the Committee for the protection of political prisoners, visiting Vacaville to investigate the situation, interviewing Frubling, a minister in town, was told that "The situation in Vacaville is such that a lynching was necessary." And further referring to a famous lynching that "They did in Santa Rosa 12 years ago and there was no trouble in that town ever since."

This thirst for blood has been seized upon by many capitalist papers in the county and state to work up an alarm against the Communists and Agricultural Workers Industrial Union, knowing that the Vacaville strike is a clarion call for similar action to other parts where such low wages are paid.

BOSS PAPER WANTS LEGAL STRIKEBREAKING

But the Sacramento Union "California's State Capitol Newspaper" came out with an editorial in which it endeavors to present a "liberal" policy, and strongly condemns the lynch idea. Not, however, because it considers that workers cannot live on \$1.25 a day. But because "they (Vacaville ranchers) have all the forces of the State of California at their command, if the State cannot handle the situation there still remains the national government."

The Sacramento Union representing the big bosses is for a strike-breaking policy, but in a "legal" way. Have not many strikes all over the country been broken thru local, state and national armed forces, which are after all especially designed for that purpose?

It is the same Sacramento Union, which at the outset of the struggle refused to recognize a strike situation but instead carried alarming stories of threatening race riots. The hope at that time was to introduce the traditional strike-breaking method by pitting one race against another. The failure of this tactic and splendid solidarity displayed by the workers compelled this boss sheet only to change its strike-breaking methods.

PICKETING MUST INCREASE

The lynch threats will not weaken the militancy and fine solidarity of the workers. On the contrary it proves to the workers that the bosses are powerless to break the strike. They have so far not been able to bring in scabs despite protection by the police and armed thugs.

Especially at this moment it is necessary to mobilize every worker in Vacaville for the biggest and most militant picket lines. Not a scab should go through! This can be the only and most effective answer to the bosses.

Workers! The strike has already demonstrated that it is not merely a local struggle. The Vacaville strikers are representing all labor in a struggle against the blackest reactionary forces in the state. They must be given help.

Send funds for strike relief to enable them to keep on the battle!

Send resolutions of protest to Mayor Uhl of Vacaville!

White Russians Beat Up Wobblies But Apologize

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 5.—Considerable commotion was occasioned at Fillmore and O'Farrell streets Wednesday night when a horde of White Guard Russians raced out of a poolroom and attacked a soap boxer without warning. The speaker was knocked to the ground and his soap box used as a bludgeon on his head.

"You Jews, you criminals, you killed our czar, and drove us out, turning our country over to bandits—*you Communists*," an insane ex-white guard captain shrieked.

"We are not Communists. We are I. W. W.s" a shivering bystander declared.

"Oh, oh! What a mistake." A white guard wearing a big Greek Catholic Church cross declared. "We are very sorry, and apologize."

The disabled Wobbly was sent to the hospital as the entire San Francisco Wobbly membership looked rather disgustedly at the departing Russians. Then the two went home.

One member of the I. W. W. later told a Communist of the matter but was a bit confused when told that had an S. O. S. call been put in at Fillmore Workers Center, two blocks away, enough would have been on hand to give the White Guards a drubbing they did not experience since the days when the Bolsheviks kicked them all over Siberia.

The Canton Commune Still Lives; By Ellis



International Events and Western Workers

Byrd's "Heroes Meet on Bread Line"; Lloyd George Can't See Election Results Straight; College Graduates on Soup Line—but in America; Farmers Going Bankrupt; Seeing Red in Einstein.

Monday: — Just a little post-Thanksgiving news. Six of the able seamen who risked their lives with Admiral Byrd in the Antarctic had a re-union. Why should that be important? Merely because the re-union was held on the bread-line in New York. The seamen were great heroes while they were suffering for practically no wage looking for new metal and coal deposits for imperialism in the most difficult parts of the world. Now they are just bums, looked on as nuisances by capitalists. That's how capitalism awards all workers who are foolish enough to risk their lives for the enemy. How many of the men on the bread-line were ex-soldiers?

S. P. Treachery Defeated

Tuesday: — Lloyd George says that the Thomas vote shows that the American people "are not ready for socialism!" It doesn't show anything of the kind. Thomas, despite his hypocritical speeches is a bitter opponent of socialism. He himself

has written articles in the 1929 New Leader, the official organ of the Socialist Party, outlining a revision of socialism. But Thomas even now that most of his vote is

in still pretends that his vote approximates Deb's. That of course is nonsense. Actually Deb's biggest

vote was in 1912 when his anti-war and militant class stand was yet very clear. In that year he got

897,011 votes out of 14,733,167. If

Thomas got an equally proportionate vote in the 1932 elections he

would have had to poll almost

3,000,000 votes. In 1919, Deb got

919,799 votes but this was out of

a total of 26,674,171, a much smaller

percentage than his 1912 vote and

already a reflection of his loss of

prestige because of his connection

with betrayer Hillquit, Berger, and

Co.

College Graduates on Soup-Line

Also on Tues. comes additionally interesting news, confirming our Monday notes, S. H. Thompson, director of the Registry for homeless men in San Francisco, says that 6% of the homeless men are college graduates. We haven't exact figures but the general number of college men as compared to the whole population does not exceed 5%.

even if it reaches that figure. That means that those who sacrifice to go to college and "work themselves up" are shoved right back by the system. College men who believe in capitalism because it provides an "incentive" ought to compare the "incentive" contained in the above facts to how the trained workers are treated in the Soviet Union.

Basic Solution for Farmers

Wednesday: — Some Congressmen looking for publicity and support to their careers have worked themselves up into a stew over farm mortgages. There is possible some improvement in the situation for farmers even under capitalism. In Roumania, for example, farmers refuse to pay taxes. When the tax collector comes around they run him out, sometimes undressing him and coating his skin with tax certificates and glue. In the U. S. the United Farmers League also has a program for farm relief. It can be obtained from the Producer's News, Plentywood, Montana.

A basic solution, however, can come only under a workers and farmers government. How true this is can be judged if one realizes the hopeless blind alley in which capitalist farming is. The New York Times reports:

"It is estimated that the gross income of those engaged in agriculture has declined from about \$12,000,000,000 in 1929 to about \$5,000,000,000 in 1932. Meantime, there has been little change in the fixed charges which agricultural producers are called upon to meet. There is approximately \$9,000,000,000 outstanding in farm mortgages, and most of these obligations were undertaken on a scale of values which has long since disappeared. Foreclosures of farm mortgages, which were around 45,000 in 1929, are now reported to be running at the rate of at least 150,000 for the current year. Doubtless the figure would still be larger if foreclosures were made wherever the mortgagor is in default.

"Mortgages now within the control of the Federal Government form a comparatively small part of the total. "Of the \$9,000,000 outstanding, it is estimated that about 13 per cent is held by the Federal

Land Banks, 5 per cent by Joint Stock Banks, 4 per cent by members banks of the Federal Reserve and 22 per cent by life insurance companies. The remaining 56 per cent is in the hands of small banks outside the Reserve system, loan companies and individual mortgagees."

It is clear from these figures that a lasting solution of the problem within the limits of capitalism is impossible. In Soviet China, the peasants after ridding themselves of the landlords and bosses, met in solemn conclave and publicly burned all mortgages. After the Russian Revolution all mortgages, liens, notes, etc., were declared null and void. The users of the land were given its ownership. Basically that's the only solution.

"EINSTEIN A RED"

Thursday: — We read where the Women's Patriotic Corporation wants the State Department to exclude Einstein because "he is a member of more Communist organizations than Josef Stalin." We don't know whether this is a joke or is meant to be taken seriously. In any case it's a joke. Einstein is undoubtedly a learned mathematician. If he stuck to his subject he might yet make a contribution of lasting importance. But he has gone far afield, especially into philosophy. Here he betrayed himself. He is a reactionary idealist, a believer in god, and opposed to every Marxist-Leninist concept of Dialectical materialism. If being a fool in philosophy were a crime we would favor Einstein's exclusion. But that's really a privilege which everyone may if he wishes indulge in. Except for that, Einstein without the Women's Patriotic Corporation knowing it, is very useful to capitalism. Capitalism, in its dying stages, is thoroughly frightened of the spread of knowledge of any sort, even if it is mathematics. And that's what makes the ignorant old ladies suspicious, even of so staunch a supporter of capitalism as Einstein.

Friday: — War debts again. But this is deadline and the printer is demanding copy — so well write about that two weeks hence.

—S. A. D.

Portland Gives Lying Rabbi Hot Reception

By DAWN LOVELACE

PDX PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 20.—As part of the capitalist campaign of lying and slander against the Soviet Union, and preparation for a war against the Workers' Country, Rabbi Goldstein spoke here before an audience of about 500. He and his small following were greatly surprised and embarrassed, however, by the hostility with which the audience of workers and petty bourgeoisie received his address.

Among other choice statements emanating from the learned Rabbi is the following:

"All of them (meaning the Workers in the U. S. S. R.) are lousy, drunken, ugly, naked and shameless. I saw only oppression and tyranny. The people are ruled like a bunch of sheep. Thousands of men and women are walking the streets of Russia who would rather be in their graves. The young people go about singing—but their parents bow their heads and cry. Why do the young people sing? Because it takes a mature brain to understand what is happening over there."

The entire audience, including workers and petty bourgeoisie, gave persistent expression to their indignation at such obvious and vicious lies, and when the fat slanderer told how the Russian workers

fat general is corseted, and both sides practice hypocritical smiles. "Storm Over Asia" is Pudovkin's best job.

The film will be shown in Oakland, Petaluma, Los Angeles and for a second showing in S. F., followed by a discussion on the film at the John Reed Club, Dec. 13.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 28.—Twenty-five farmers, representing the poultry locals of Winlock, Vancouver, Hockinson, Woodland and Kalama, Wash., got together at a protest meeting held at Cloverdale, Nov. 17, 1932, and drew up the following demands, which will be given the widest publicity among members, of which there are 15,000, of the Washington Cooperative Egg & Poultry Assn.:

1. That the exorbitant salaries of high officers getting over \$3,000 per year be cut 50%; between \$2,000 and \$3,000, 25%.
2. That the habit of these same high officials of employing relatives be discontinued.
3. That all the branch managers be kicked out. The farmers know that these parasites are paid \$250 a month for doing absolutely nothing.

4. That the superintendent of trucks be taken off the force for the same reason, the only difference being that he gets \$5,000 annually.

The Washington Cooperative (in name only) Egg & Poultry Assn. puts out a weekly magazine, the

same note of Optimism, and harps on the idea, long ago worn out, that Prosperity is just around the corner. Excerpt from Washcoegg, Nov. 19, 1932, editorial by S. D. Sanders, Pres. and Gen. Manager:

"The poultrymen of this state are beginning to recognize as never before the value of owning and controlling their own distributing and marketing agency." And again: "Generally speaking, the reports available indicate business conditions are steadily improving, particularly in the East."

How long will the poultrymen be here this bunk? Do the Farmers really own and control "their" Association?

Wake up, Farmers, and join the organization that fights for your interests. ALONE, you can accomplish nothing, but in GREAT NUMBERS you can smash the machine of Graft and Favoritism that runs the Washington Cooperative Egg & Poultry Association.

WESTERN WORKER MUST BE SOLD AT FACTORIES

More Than Half of Workers Are Still on Full or Part Time in Factories

Perhaps one of the most commonly used terms in the revolutionary movement is "concentration."

Every Party Unit is to CONCENTRATE on a factory, or mill.

Every one of the T. U. U. L. groups

is to CONCENTRATE on some

factory or A. F. of L. local.

The Friends of the Soviet Union branches

are to CONCENTRATE for

building factory branches.

But in practice we see that the concentration hardly goes beyond party decisions. Very few of our Party Units actually take such decisions very seriously.

While concentration entails much more than laying the foundation for an attack on the Soviet Union. Their

meetings should be followed, and

many will get into the habit of

having the nickel ready as they

go out on the way home. If it

isn't possible to stand near the gate, go a half block or so away,

where the workers pass.

Don't get discouraged if you do

not sell many the first two or three

times. Give the workers a chance

to get acquainted with the Western Worker.